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To: All Licensed Dealers

Re: Interim license plates

The Indiana Secretary of State—Auto Dealer Services Division (the “Division”) continues to monitor how COVID-19 is impacting dealer operations and consumers throughout the state. On March 23, 2020 Governor Eric J. Holcomb issued [Executive Order 20-09](#) restricting access to state government offices. Following this order, all BMV branches closed effective March 24, 2020.

As of April 27, 2020, the BMV had not yet opened its branches to the general public. To ease the burden on Indiana dealers and consumers, the Indiana Secretary of State is extending by thirty (30) days the expiration date of all interim license plates issued under Ind. Code § 9-32-6-11 and Ind. Code § 9-32-8-7 from January 21, 2020 through March 17, 2020. This is in addition to the original sixty (60) day extension that was granted on March 23, 2020.

At this time, interim license plates issued from March 18, 2020 through May 1, 2020 are not included in this second extension. We anticipate that the BMV will be open for business and able to accommodate demand when those plates begin to expire in July.

Please note that in Executive Order 20-09 Gov. Holcomb also instructed law enforcement to suspend enforcement actions against individuals based solely on expired registrations that occurred during the public health emergency. To provide additional assurance to consumers, we will be working to update plate expiration dates in our system so that plates will appear as valid to law enforcement.

The issuance of more than one (1) interim plate per sale is still prohibited.

Many BMV services (including some new registrations) are available [online](#). Dealers should consult earlier guidance from the BMV (available on our website) regarding title options.